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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. Rejection of claims 1-6 under 35 USC 102(b):

Claims 1-6 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Gneiting (Agilent NPL document 2001).

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Response:

Claims 1-6 have been cancelled, and are no longer in need of consideration.

2. Amendment to claim 7 and new claims 10-12:

Claim 7 has been amended to remove recitation of the second equivalent circuit.

Claim 7 now recites the first equivalent circuit and the step of utilizing the first equivalent circuit to simulate the switch at a turned-off state. Since Gneiting does not teach utilizing the first equivalent circuit to simulate the switch at a turned-off state, claim 7 is patentable over the Gneiting reference.

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All limitations removed from claim 7 are now included in new claim 10. Claim 11 contains the limitations in the original claim 8 pertaining to the first equivalent circuit, and claim 12 contains the limitations in the original claim 8 pertaining to the second equivalent circuit. No new matter is added through any of the new claims or the claim amendments. Acceptance of new claims 10-12 is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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